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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION: KHMER CREDENTIALS

REF: USUN 0584

1. WE REPEATING TO YOU SEPTTEL REPORT OF ALGERIAN AMB RAHAL'S PRIVATE STATEMENT TO US THAT KHMER CREDENTIALS "SHOULD NOT BE A PROBLEM FOR ANY OF US" AT THE SPECIAL SESSION. GROUP OF 77 CHAIRMAN HOVEYDA (IRAN) TELLS US THAT RAHAL MADE SIMILAR REMARK TO HIM BUT SPOKE OF CREDENTIALS IN GENERAL TERMS, WITHOUT SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO KHMER.

2. REFTTEL PARA 5 NOTWITHSTANDING, WE ARE INCLINED TO ACCEPT RAHAL'S STATEMENT AS ONE MADE IN GOOD FAIT: THAT THIS IS HIS MISSION'S POSITION AT THIS TIME. RAHAL HIMSELF POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT HE COULD NOT AT THAT POINT SPEAK IN NAME OF NON-ALIGNED, AND WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT HAVE INDICATION THAT EITHER CHINA OR SENEGAL, FOR EXAMPLE, WILL PERMIT KHMER CREDENTIALS TO GO UNCHALLENGED.

3. WHILE WE CONTINUE TO FEEL, AS DO KHMER MISSION AND ASIAN FRIENDS, THAT WE MUST MOVE CAUTIOUSLY TO AVOID STIMULATING A CHALLENGE, WE DO HOPE TO PUT OUR KNOWLEDGE OF ALGERIAN ATTITUDE TO GOOD USE IN CONSULTATIONS WITH SECRETARIAT
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AND PERHAPS OTHERS.

4. WE ARE CONTINUING TO CONSULT REGULARLY WITH KHMER MISSION
CHARGE MADAME PENG. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MADAME PENG IS CAUTION-
ING GKR TO DO NOTHING AT THIS POINT, SUCH AS PREMATURELY NAMING
SPECIAL DELEGATES TO APRIL UNGA, THAT WOULD STIMULATE OPPOSITION
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